

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

LOW LOAD FLOOR MOTOR VEHICLE

the specification of which (check one)

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on _____ as Application
Serial No. _____ and was amended on
_____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application or to the patentability of the invention claimed therein in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, section 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

			<u>Priority Claim</u>	
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year filed)	Yes	No
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(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year filed)	Yes	No
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(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year filed)	Yes	No
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

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PRIOR PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS

(application serial number)

(Month / Day / Year filed)

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial No.	Filing Date	Status - patented, pending, abandoned
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I hereby appoint Robert J. Wallace, Reg. No. 18,985, Donald F. Scherer, Reg. No. 24539 and each principal, attorney of counsel, associate and employee of Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C., who is a registered Patent Attorney, my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. I request the Patent and Trademark Office to direct all correspondence and telephone calls relative to this application to Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C., P. O. Box 828, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48303 (248) 641-1600.

Full name of sole or first inventor: James J. Bartel

Inventor's signature: 

Date: 11-8-2000

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Citizenship: United States of America

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ASSIGNMENT

I, James J. Bartel, have invented a new and useful process, machine, manufacture, composition of matter, or an improvement thereof, entitled:

LOW LOAD FLOOR MOTOR VEHICLE.

for which Assignor is about to make United States application for patent;

Arboc Ltd., a Michigan corporation having its principal place of business at 3504 Car Drive, Commerce Township, Michigan 48382-1603, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the invention and under the Letters Patent, and similar legal protection to be obtained, worldwide.

In consideration of the payment by Arboc Ltd. to me of the sum of \$1.00 and other good and valuable consideration, receipt being acknowledged, I sell, assign, and transfer unto Arboc Ltd., my full and entire right, title, and interest in the invention worldwide and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained for the invention worldwide by the application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute, re-examination, reissue, or any legal equivalent, for the full term or terms that may be granted.

I authorize the U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE to insert the filing date and Serial Number of the application, to wit, Serial No. _____, filed _____. I authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Letters Patent of the United States to Arboc Ltd.

I warrant that I have the right to sell, assign, and transfer my full and entire right, title, and interest in the invention and that no assignment, sale, agreement, or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into that will conflict with this sale, assignment, and transfer.

I further agree to communicate to Arboc Ltd. or its representatives, any facts known to me respecting the invention, testify in any legal proceedings relating to the invention when called upon, and sign all instruments and documents and render such assistance which, in the judgment of Arboc Ltd., is necessary to vest in it and protect the legal right, title, and interest assigned in this Assignment.

This Assignment will be binding on my heirs and legal representatives.

Date

11-8-2000

James J. Bartel

Witness

Robert J. Kallala